## **Quebec Thaw Dates 2019**

The purpose of this message is to inform our partners of the industry that the predicted dates for the 2019 thaw in Québec are published on the Ministère des Transports du Québec web site at the following

link: <a href="https://www.transports.gouv.qc.ca/fr/entreprises-partenaires/ent-camionnage/degel/Pages/Periode-de-degel.aspx">https://www.transports.gouv.qc.ca/fr/entreprises-partenaires/ent-camionnage/degel/Pages/Periode-de-degel.aspx</a>.

The Department reminds heavy-vehicle users and shippers that authorized load limits are reduced during periods of thaw on all public roads. This is the case every year to account for the lower carrying capacity of the road network during this period.

For the 2019 thaw period, the start and end dates of the <u>load</u> <u>restriction</u> period for each of <u>the thaw zones</u> are as follows: **Dates targeted for 2019** 

**Zone 1** Monday, March 11 (00:01) to Friday, May 10 (11:59 pm)

**Zone 2** Monday, March 18 (00:01) to Friday, May 17 (23:59)

**Zone 3** Monday, March 25 (00:01) to Friday, May 24 (11:59 pm)

It should be noted that the target dates represent the most likely dates of start and end of the thaw period for each of the three zones. Depending on changing weather conditions, these dates may be delayed or delayed.